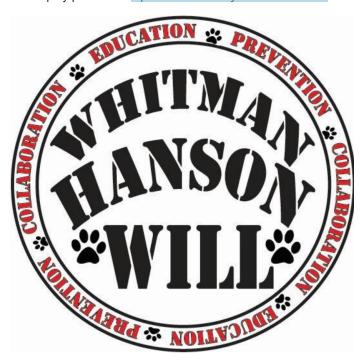
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# Whitman Hanson WILL to Provide Free Narcan Training

WHITMAN HANSON WILL PRESENTS:

## NALOXONE SIM LAB

Saturday November 4, 2017 | 10AM - 1PM

Naloxone or "Narcan" is an opioid antagonist that reverses the effects of an opioid overdose. This Naloxone Sim Lab, provided by South Shore Hospital, creates a mock overdose situation to help individuals understand how to use this medication in a crisis situation.







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WHITMAN -- Chief Scott D. Benton reports that the Whitman Hanson WILL organization, in conjunction with South Shore Hospital and Duval's Pharmacy, is hosting a Naloxone Sim Lab event to teach those suffering from substance use disorders, their families, and loved ones how to administer potentially lifesaving Narcan in the event of an overdose.

#### WHEN:

Saturday, Nov. 4, 2017 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### WHERE:

Duval's Pharmacy 571 Washington St., Whitman

#### WHAT:

Naloxone or Narcan is an opioid antagonist that can reverse the effects of a heroin or other opioid overdose and save a life. The Naloxone Sim Lab create a mock overdose situation to help people understand what an addicted person goes through and also how to use "Narcan" in a crisis situation.

"We encourage all citizens to come by and take advantage of this opportunity to become better educated on the opioid epidemic that has gripped our country," Chief Benton said.

#### **About Whitman Hanson WILL**

Whitman Hanson WILL is part of a regional collaborative, the Brockton Area Opioid Abuse Prevention Collaborative. Whitman Hanson WILL is made up of volunteers across twelve sectors in addition to promoting advocacy and working effortlessly to reduce the stigma associated with substance use disorders.

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